GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1841
ANSWERED ON:15.03.2005
EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON INQUIRY COMMITTEE ON NETAJI SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE
Bose Shri Subrata;Kaushal Shri Raghuvir Singh;Khanduri AVSM,Maj.Gen.(Retd.) Bhuwan Chandra

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item titled `Is the Congress scared of KGB files` appeared in `Pioneer` dated 13th Feburary, 2005, regarding the enquiry into the death of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) the total expenditure incurred so far on each of the inquiry Committee/Commission appointed by the Government of India to enquire into the alleged disappearance of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose in August, 1945

(d) the findings of the various enquiries recorded so far;

(e) the stage at which the enquiry is going on at present along with the tenure of the present Enquiry Commission and the Government plan about giving extension to this Commission;

(f) whether the Government contemplates to chalk out a special programme and scheme to keep the memories and contribution of Netaji Subhash Chandra alive; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.REGUPATHY)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The allegation made therein are not based on facts. The Government has provided all possible assistance to the Commission in completing its inquiry.

(c): The expenditure incurred by each Committee/Commission is as under:-

1. Shah Nawaz Khan Committee (1956) - No record is available.

2. Khosla Commission (1970-74) - As per the available records, the expenditure incurred upto Feburary 1974, was Rs. 7.35 lakh.

3. Justice Mukherjee Commission of Inquiry:- the total progressive expenditure incurred upto January 2005, is Rs. 175.48 Lakh.

(d): The Shah Nawaz Khan Committee and Khosla Commission came to the conclusion that Netaji met his death in a aircrash on 18th August 1945.

(e): The term of Justice Mukherjee Commission of Inquiry has been extended upto 14.5.2005. The Commission has intimated that it is in the process of preparing its report.

(f) & (g): The memory of Netaji and his contributions are part of Indian history and heritage.